

Chambers of District Judge Lawrence L. Piersol

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Lawrence L. Piersol
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1940
Education: South Dakota 1962 BA, 1965 JD
Began Service: December 11, 1993
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton
Political Affiliation: Democrat

Government: State Representative (SD), South Dakota House of Representatives (1971-1975); Chairperson, Executive Reorganization Commission, State of South Dakota (1972-1975); Board Member, Department of Environmental Protection (1975-1978)

Judicial: Chief Judge, United States District Court for the District of South Dakota

Legal Practice: Davenport, Evans, Hurwitz & Smith (1968-1993)

Military Service: Captain, United States Army (1965-1968)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; Federal Judges Association; State Bar of South Dakota

Staff

Law Clerk **(Vacant)** (605) 330-6640
Career Law Clerk **Rita Allen** (605) 330-6640
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Education: South Dakota 1982 JD
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Education: Georgetown 1989 JD
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Jeffrey Viken
District Judge

Education: South Dakota 1974 BA, 1977 JD
Began Service: October 2009
Appointed By: President Barack Obama

Chambers of District Judge Roberto A. Lange

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Roberto A. Lange
District Judge

Education: South Dakota 1985 BA; Northwestern 1988 JD
Began Service: November 6, 2009
Appointed By: President Barack Obama

Clerkships: Law Clerk, Chambers of District Judge Donald James Porter, United States District Courts

Legal Practice: Associate, Davenport Evans Hurwitz & Smith LLP (1989-1992)

Staff

Law Clerk **Tom Agnello** (605) 945-4610
Began Service: November 2009
Term Expires: August 2011

Chambers of District Judge Roberto A. Lange continued

Law Clerk **Thad Roche** (605) 945-4610
Began Service: August 2010
Term Expires: August 2012
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Chambers of Senior Judge Charles B. Kornmann

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**Charles B. Kornmann**
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1937
Education: Col St Thomas 1959;
Georgetown 1962 LLB
Began Service: May 1995
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton
Political Affiliation: Democrat

Current Memberships: American Board of Trial Advocates; Brown County Bar Association (SD); State Bar of South Dakota; South Dakota Bar Foundation, State Bar of South Dakota

Staff

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Term Expires: August 2011
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Career Law Clerk **Susan Margolies** (605) 377-2600
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Education: Central Col (IA) 1986 BA;
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Court Reporter **Cheryl Hook** (605) 945-4626
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Chambers of Senior Judge John B. Jones

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John B. Jones
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1927
Education: South Dakota 1951 BS, 1953 LLB
Began Service: December 5, 1981
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Government: State Representative (R-SD), South Dakota House of Representatives (1956-1960)

Judicial: Judge, Lyman County Court (1953-1956); Judge, South Dakota Circuit Court, 10th Circuit (1967-1974); Judge, South Dakota Circuit Court, Sixth Circuit (1974-1981)

Legal Practice: Private Practice (1953-1962); Partner, Jones & McKeever (1962-1966)

Military Service: United States Naval Reserve (1945-1947)

Current Memberships: American Judicature Society; Federal Judges Association; State Bar of South Dakota

Chambers of Senior Judge Richard Howard Battey

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Richard Howard Battey
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1929
Education: South Dakota 1953 JD
Began Service: 1985
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Academic: Regent, South Dakota Board of Regents (1967-1973); Adjunct Professor, The University of South Dakota (1973-1975)

Government: City Attorney, Office of the City Attorney, City of Redfield, South Dakota (1955-1963); State's Attorney, Office of the State's Attorney, County of Spink, South Dakota (1959-1965); Member, Board of Pardons and Paroles, State of South Dakota (1976-1981); Commissioner, Bar Commissioners, State Bar of South Dakota (1979-1982); State's Attorney, Office of the State's Attorney, County of Spink, South Dakota (1981-1985)

Legal Practice: Private Practice (1953-1985)

Military Service: National Guard (1948-1960); United States Army (1953-1955)

Staff

Career Law Clerk **Ann Mines** (605) 399-6040
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John Simko
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1939
Education: Augustana (SD) 1961 BA; South Dakota 1968 JD
Began Service: September 1, 2000

Legal Practice: Woods Law Firm

Military Service: South Dakota Air National Guard

Staff

Attorney **Lori Fossen** (605) 330-6650
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Judicial Assistant **Christine Gross** (605) 330-6650

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Mark A. Moreno
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1958
Education: Illinois 1980 BA; Creighton 1983 JD
Began Service: February 1, 1993
Term Expires: January 31, 2013
Political Affiliation: Republican

Affiliation: Member, Schmidt, Schroyer, Moreno, Lee & Bachand, P.C.

Current Memberships: Nebraska State Bar Association; State Bar of South Dakota

Staff

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Chambers of Magistrate Judge (part-time) Veronica L. Duffy

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Veronica L. Duffy
Magistrate Judge (Part-Time)

Began Service: June 2007
Term Expires: June 2011

Staff

Law Clerk **Heather Colleen Knox** (605) 399-6032
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Term Expires: August 2011
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Number of Judgeships: 2

Number of Vacancies: 1

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Charles L. Nail, Jr.
Bankruptcy Judge

Education: South Dakota BS; Minnesota 1982 JD
Began Service: 2006
Term Expires: 2020

Staff

Career Law Clerk **Kay Cee Hodson** (605) 945-4490
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